LA County Municipal Storm Water Permit 2012 Annual Report: City of Walnut

Assessment of Program Effectives

The City of Walnut continues to implement the MS4 requirements as reasonably as possible given time and budget constraints. Since the majority of the agencies responsible to implement these requirements are contractual, the administrator is able to objectively evaluate procedural effectiveness and responsiveness of the program. The training program developed by the contract administer is concise, informative and effective. All agencies have been responsive to the City's needs.

The program review process allows the City to quickly identify and remedy any unfavorable practices. All avenues are reviewed in order to effect the most efficient and cost effective development to implement program requirements. City Council, commissioners and staff are striving to implement the MS4 requirements through code amendments, developments, education and enforcement. It is through a collective effort of elected officials, staff, developers, business owners and residents that the City is able to implement the requirements. Walnut's ongoing efforts would be rated at 8.

General observations that may indicate positive behavioral changes based on program implementation/public education include:

Program/Effort:	Observations/Outcome:
Installation of pet waste stations at all City parks (added new station along	Increased use of bags, increased deposit of filled bags into waste
new trail segment)	station collection bin
Inclusion of Used Oil Recycling/Storm water Pollution Prevention information in City's electronic brochure viewed online by Walnut and area residents.	Increased request for free used oil containers and reported increase in used oil filter collection at certified collection centers (publicized in postcard).
City hosts Environmental booths at large City events featuring storm water pollution prevention (i.e. storm drains drain to the ocean, litter abatement, pet waste pick up, used oil recycling)	People will see displays and used oil containers and ask questions. There has been follow-up by the public (calls, in person inquires) after such events.
School Outreach:	
1. Staff meets annually with the	Increased participation of school
Environmental Club at Suzanne	clubs in community events and park
Middle School and Walnut High School to provide information	clean up days.
and community opportunities.	Increased awareness of from parents

Staff conducted pollution prevention at annual Earth Day Event held in conjunction with a local elementary school.	through the children's response to tours and information at the City event
Area specific BMP Flyers posted on City webpage and at City facilities "Go Green with Walnut" Website constantly updated	General public interest in flyer, creates opportunity to explain intent and stormwater pollution prevent education. Receive sporadic feedback from the public (someone is using it). Staff is actively, and proactively, editing the website to create a one-stop information source for the public.
Distributed used oil containers, dog poop bags, plastic bag recycling containers and flyers on pool maintenance, lawn care and HHW disposal on at community events	Positive public comment, increased request for more information.